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The Foundation Connection

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Woodland Park Zoo Master Gardener Clinic: *From Apes to Zinnias*

The Family Farm at the

Woodland Park Zoo is a great place for Master Gardeners to connect with families with children. The MGs use a unique way to attract families to their table. And it's not the peacock.

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Shorewood High School Culinary Arts Garden: A New, More Bountiful Garden for Future Chefs

The Culinary Arts Garden at Shorewood High School in Shoreline has flourished despite having to recreate itself when the high school was renovated. It continues to supply the needs of the culinary program while allowing experimentation.

[Read the full article](#)



2016 Ellen A'Key Grant Awarded: Grant/Adams County

The MGF A'Key Grant Committee evaluated several applications before choosing this plan to establish a Seed Library.

The Grant was established in 2009. One of the objectives is to make possible programs that otherwise might never get beyond the planning stage.

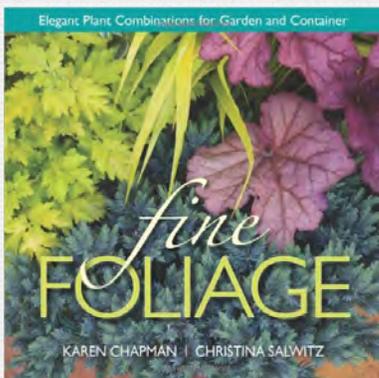
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BDG Harvest Festival Tomato Tasting: Continuing the Tradition

Visitors to the BDG Harvest Festival tasted and selected their favorites from almost 40 different varieties.

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Miller Library Book Selection *Fine Foliage: Elegant Plant Combinations for Garden and Container*

Look beyond flowering plants to add interest to your garden. This month's selection is all about incorporating foliage in your garden design.

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News Shoots: *Short Subjects*

Bellevue Demo Garden Harvest Festival:

Shoppers, exhibitors, volunteers and donors of plants and goods came together brilliantly for a successful **Harvest Festival** on September 10th. It was a beautiful day and despite much local competition, turnout was good. Guests truly seemed to enjoy the tomato and pepper tasting, the various exhibits, children's activities, the demonstrations and the great plant selection.

The event brought in a grand total of \$860.00 this year, believed to be a new record.

Cool Plants & Hot Topics Fall Plant Sale:

Thank you! Thank you! To all the Master Gardener volunteers, the vendors, the speakers, the youth orchestra from Sammamish and the customers who helped to make the **Cool Plants & Hot Topics Fall Plant Sale** at Bellevue Botanic Gardens last weekend a success. The weather cooperated, and there was much to enjoy about the day. This was our first eastside event, and by all measures it was a success. Thank you all! We will have more on the event in next month's newsletter.

Fall bulbs that help the Foundation:

Need to order your fall bulbs? **Brent and Becky's** now provides the opportunity for you to donate some of the proceeds from your purchase to support the Master Gardener activities in King County. When you are ready to order, go to **Bloomin' Buck\$** at <http://www.bloominbucks.com/> and select the **Master Gardeners of King County** from the list of organizations for a percentage of your order to support the Master Gardener Foundation of King County. Happy shopping!

Looking for some CE credits? Don't wait too late.

On Saturday, November 19, at Renton Technical College, join us.



The **Pest and Pruning All Day Workshop** allows you to earn 6 hours of CE credits. Find all the detail about this event, times, fees and driving directions and [register today](#).

Don't Check Your Skills at the Door!

We can find a use for them

Would you like to help build a strong Foundation for the Master Gardener Program? Join a committee! We need skills in several areas to carry out the work of the Foundation. Here are some of our current needs:

Can You Help??



- **Website & Graphics** is seeking creative and 'techy' skills

- **Membership** is looking for MGs to connect with our members, celebrating their commitment and keeping them engaged.
- **Communications** is searching for writers to contribute articles of interest to MGs, short subjects, editing and working with our online template.

Much of the important work of our Foundation is handled by our committees. You do not need to be on the Board of Directors in order to participate on a committee, and yet you can have a big impact. Are you up for it? Contact us if you are interested or want to find out more.

[Read about our needs](#)

What's Happening? *News and Updates*

- **Next MGF Board Meeting:** Thursday, **Oct. 13**, at CUH. If you are interested in earning support hours by serving on a committee, contact president@mgfkc.org.
- **Now to Oct 31: [MG applications open online](#).** Tell someone you think would be interested how to Become a Master Gardener.
- **Save the Date: Master Gardener Recognition Breakfast and Annual Foundation Meeting.: Oct 29 - new times!, 9:30am to noon**, at CUH. *Watch for registration details.* MG Program Coordinator, Elaine Anderson, is looking for outstanding MGs to recognize at this year's event. If you would like to nominate a fellow MG, find details and [nomination guidelines online](#).
- **Save the Date & Register: Nov 19: [Pests & Pruning All Day Workshop](#)** for Master Gardeners in the South Sound area. Register early for this event at Renton Technical College and earn 6 CEs.



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